

OREGON TUALATIN VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



An ARRL Special Service Club

October 1990

Next Meeting October 10, 1990

Words from the President

By Ray Deeth, K7VDQ

The last meeting gave me lots of input as to membership feelings and it was really great to have the lively discussions. The club repeater seems to have lots of interest at the meetings, but activity is still lacking as of the writing. The membership input on the Elks meeting room did help me in negotiating our position with them. Also, I wish thank the membership for supporting the required percentage for meals at the last meeting.

I had a meeting with Jean Peters of the State Games of Oregon recently for the purpose of critiquing the Amateur Radio Operations during this years games as well as asking the HAMS for their support in the 1991 games. We did such an outstanding job that our support has been requested to expand into other events in 1991. The need for packet radio at the shooting and biathlon area at Camp Withycombe in 1991 really could save lots of air time and definitely speed up the reporting to Game's Executive Offices. Those amateurs in the packet radio club please give me a call for organizing your support in '91. (Note: State Games Director, Ron Allen, participated in the Cycle Oregon. Randy, KZ7T, did you see him on your tour.)

Local area frequency interference on the club simplex channel of 145.67MHZ may have to be changed to allow packet radio operations as more and more Hams enter into this new area of operations. Discussion has been around looking at 147.40 or 144.40 as club simplex frequencies. An item of discussion at the next club meeting.

In an article given to me by Paul, WB7BBG, reported that the FBI and FCC investigator arrested a Novice (KA2ZGE) after he made death threats over a 2 meters. This took place in Queens, New York. See! We do get our men and help the Hams!! (W5YI Report, National volunteer Examiner Coordinator.)

OTVARC Travelers

By Willis, N7DZR

Fort Stevens, one of Oregon's great parks was infested by OTVARCs over the weekend of September 15 and 16, 1990. The infestation was so intense it could only be compared to a locust infestation of a few years ago in Utah, including the seagulls. OTVARC's count went into the fourtys, but no one volunteered to look up and count the seagulls.

There was so much bicycle riding the drug store sold out on Ben-Gay. It appeared the OTVARC's were trying to escape from the seagulls. Bikes here, bikes there, bikes everywhere. There was plenty of licensed hams on the bikes so we didn't have to call out the public service team from OTVARC to keep track of them, but at times it did look like a bike-a-thon.

The guided tour of the vessel Peter Iredale had to be cancelled because someone stole the gangplank and the skipper feared an accident may happen jumping aboard. When he gets his new gangplank he said he will call Steve (KA7MOW) and maybe we can reschedule our tour.

Steve being a great wagonmaster as he is, did have everything fall right in place. Why Steve even had the showers fall between all of the events. Someone did have some doubt about the ability of our wagonmaster to have power over the efforts of mother nature. They brought a circus tent for our dinning on Saturday night at 1700 hours. This monstrous circus tent was erected without the sides and it covered all the tables to protect us from rain. Now most of us knew this was ridiculous and unnecessary. Our wagonmasters have a way with mother nature and her rain, and again this fact was proven. It did not rain at the potluck dinner or the gathering of the clan around the camp fire after dinner. You will have to come along to see how well our wagonmasters manage everything.

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OTVARC Club 2 Meter Repeater is on 146.900 (-600)

A very special event deserves mention, that is the fact that Dale (KA7TZU) claimed 65 years of existence on the planet Earth. Now Dale looks so young and has such a young wife no one believed him until he documented it. Many happy more Dale. Is it Oil of Olay?

The military museum was visited by many OTVARCs. This is one of the many places to visit when at Fort Stevens park. Astoria as well has many attractions for visitors such as the Columbia River Maritime Museum and the Lightship Columbia moored in her graceful retirement next to the museum. With a ham station aboard I'm sure this was an outstanding visitation by the OTVARCs.

It was a great outing Steve. We thank you for the good times. A wagonmaster degree we must bestow upon you, but you must turn the honor over to Tom (KA7MAM) and Barbara (KA7WTF) for October. Tom and Barbara Bailey are going to lead us on an adventure to a very elite campground near Pacific City. This campground is so fancy and so full of

goodies you have to have pull to get in. The name even sounds impressive. Have you ever heard of Thousand Trails Preserve, well you have now. This place is 105 acres of paradise according to the wagonmasters. Many events are planned for this outing. Beachcombing, sightseeing, fishing and hiking are some of the activities for the third weekend in October.

The Thousand Trails Preserve brochure states many streams and bays in the area provide excellent trout and salmon fishing as well as clamming and crabbing, and it also states you can expect rain in the spring and fall. Now maybe we should have some doubt about the fishing, clamming and crabbing, but we'll go along with the claim of rain in the spring and fall. However the rain is of no concern for OTVARCs. We are assured by our wagonmasters it will not rain on us during our dinner at 1700 hours on Saturday night. (We have been granted the use of the club house). The brochure said bring raincoats and umbrellas. Tom and Barbara said forget them everything is taken care of.

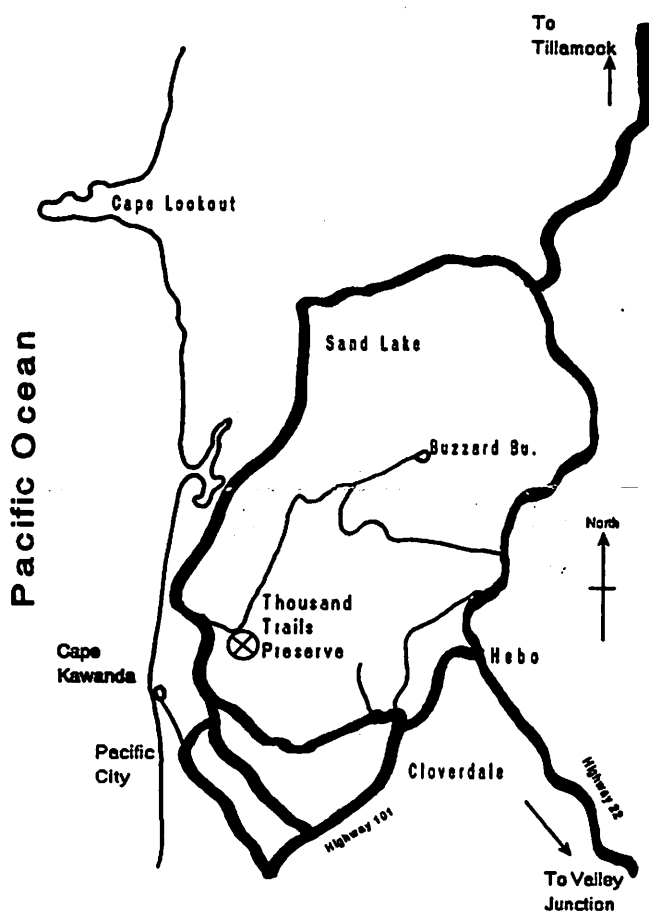
This park is so elite it has guards. They must have a lot of money and jewels inside. The guards are there also to check OTVARCs in. They must find your name on the roster of attending OTVARCs or

you will go down the road to another campground. Be sure you contact one of the Baileys and have your name on the roster. For more information, call in the evening at 538-2266 in Newberg.

Last month we had a first time couple, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Thompson (KA7IOB). We welcome you both and hope you will become a regular OTVARC Traveler. We always welcome newcomers, hams and friends of hams. You don't have to be an RV'er to enjoy the good times with us. Why not drive in for the pot luck at 1700 hours on Saturday night? The good times are guaranteed by the wagonmaster. By the way the annual gigantic outing for November at Depot Bay is planned, and reservation for the motel are in order, do it now. It will be at the same place, Holiday Park and Motel. The travelers would like to have a people count. Please call Betty Planer, 357-2886 in Forest Grove. OTVARC travelers will provide the turkey and ham, the rest is pot luck. We want enough turkey and ham, so please call Betty.

See you all at Pacific City in October and don't clutter up the place with raincoats and umbrellas.

Good travelling, 73's and 88's to you honey.



The following is an actual letter. The original was type-written, and all spelling and grammar has been carefully left intact, including errors.

To Mr. (name omitted)
District Manager for Alabama
Radio Shack
3300 N. Pace Blvd
Pensacola, FL 32505

Dear Sir,

This letter is complain about the problems I have having with the ham radio model number 19-1101 I had got from your company Radio Shack. I had this shipped special to me from your store 1096 Eastdale Mall Montgomery Alabama. I was got this because I think that i would get transmitt furthur that I did with the TRC 217 40 channel walkie talkie.

The problem that had first was when I was going to hook this radio HTX-1000 to the antenna the conektor on the radio was wrong it wouldn't attach to my cable. I was able to hook it finally by making a small change in in the connektor. As soon as I tried to use it there was no sound coming at all. This happened for two days and I never did get to talk to anybody the whole two days. That day the cable company came knocking my door and said there was something causing problems at my house and dis-connected my radio from the cable line. you knew when I brought the Radio that I was going to use that for my antenne. You didn't tell me not to why not?

Next time I decided to put the HTX-1000 in my automobile I thought I would see how it worked their. I hooked it to my CB-antenna and at least I could hear people. But what happens now is no one wants to talk to me because they says you have to have a licencs to talk to them. Why? I dont have to have a licencs to talk on my CB. They'll talk to me there. Anyhow it dont matter much anymore because somebody done took the radio HTX-1000 from my automobile.

What I would like for you Radio Shack to do is refund my money because I don't have the radio anymore and its not my fault I dont and I think you should give me back my money. Also the cable company here says that I hurt something in there line and want to be paid fix it. It will cost \$27482.98 to fix the equlpmnt they say was damaged because you didnt tell me not to hook it to the cable. Please remit to me the check for \$27758.53 for damages due. To save this matter from going to court the check must be in my hand by June first or I will turn this over to my attorneys of law.

Thank you
(name withheld)

Information For Your Files

By Al Berg, WB7SIC

Here is a list of phone numbers I clipped from another newsletter. It might be a good idea to keep a copy in you files 'just in case'.

HAM SERVICE DEPARTMENTS

AEA	Customer Service	(206) 770-7373
Alinco	Customer Service	(213) 618-8616
	FAX	(213) 618-8758
Ameritron	Service	(419) 531-3024
Azden	Customer Service	(404) 769-8706
	Repair (2 - 4PM only)	(404) 769-8706
	FAX (7pm - 10am only)	(404) 769-7970
B & W	Customer Service	(315) 788-5581
Butternut	Service/Parts/Tech info.	(512) 398-7117
Cushcraft	Service/Parts/Tech info.	(603) 627-7879
ETO	Customer Service	(719) 260-1191
	FAX	(719) 260-0395
HY-Gain	Rotor Parts	(402) 465-7021
	Antenna/Tower/Parts	(402) 465-7022
	Technical assistance	(800) 328-3771
Icom	Service	(206) 454-7619
	Parts	(206) 454-8155
	FAX	(206) 454-1509
JRC	Customer Service	(212) 355-1180
Kenwood	Service	(213) 639-7140
	Parts	(213) 639-9000
	FAX	(213) 639-2127
MFJ	Service/Parts	(601) 323-5859
Telrex	Customer Service	(201) 775-7252
Ten-Tec	Service/Parts	(615) 453-7172
Yaesu	Service	(213) 404-4884
	Parts	(213) 404-4847
	FAX	(213) 404-1210

Upcomming OTVARC Meetings

Beaverton Elks Club, Beaverton, Oregon

Buffet Dinner at 6:15 P.M.
Meeting begins at 7:00 P.M.

October 10

Randy Walters
GTE Mobilnet Cellular Phone
Technology and Operation

The Radio Club of Tacoma, W7DK
Presents the

TACOMA ELECTRONICS FLEAMARKET

Saturday
October 27, 1990

at
CAMP MURRAY

(Exit 122 on I-5)

OPEN 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

ADMISSION: \$3 (Under 13 - FREE) Overnight RVs: \$2 (Self-contained Only)

VE TESTING - 10 A.M. - Walk-in Ok (Bring Original License plus one copy & \$4.95)

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Tacoma, WA
98411

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Upcoming Events

October 3	OTVARC Board Meeting
October 10	OTVARC General Meeting Beaverton Elks Club, 7 P.M.
October 19, 20	OTVARC Travelers Campout Thousand Trails Preserve Pacific City, Oregon
October 27	Tacoma Flea Market Camp Murray, Tacoma, WA.
October 31	Project Night
November 7	OTVARC Board Meeting
November 14	OTVARC General Meeting Beaverton Elks Club, 7 P.M.
November 16, 17	OTVARC Travelers Campout Depoe Bay (Thanksgiving)
November 28	Project Night
December 5	OTVARC Board Meeting

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Executive Board

Feel free to contact the Board of OTVARC to answer any questions you may have on anything.

President:	Ray Deeth	K7VDQ	324-4502
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Other Club Contacts

Club Emergency Services Coordinator:
Vacant

Club Trailer / Club Equipment / Technical:

Dee Lynch	KA7NPN	646-4580
Terry Biggs	WB7CHK	648-3687

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John Koenig	NB7W	641-3575
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Al Berg	WB7SIC	640-5456
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Randy Stimson	KZ7T	297-1175
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Newsletter:

Jeff Durr	KA7AKU	645-3205
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Project Night:

Terry Biggs	WB7CHK	648-3687
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Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at the Beaverton Elks Lodge, 3500 S.W. 104th Avenue, Beaverton, Oregon. Meetings begin at 7:00 P.M. following a buffet dinner served at 6:15 P.M.

All correspondence other than for this newsletter should be sent to: Oregon Tualatin Valley Amateur Radio Club, Post Office Box 5132, Aloha, Oregon, 97006-0132.

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